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## **Rombo Mountain Fire News Release**

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**For Immediate Release**

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### **Rombo Mountain Firefighting Resources Assist with Tin Cup Fire**

**West Fork, Mont.** – The Rombo Mountain Fire grew to approximately 2000 acres today. The fire is located on Rombo Mountain 16 miles south of Connor, Mont., and 4 miles northeast of Painted Rocks Lake on the West Fork Ranger District of the Bitterroot National Forest.

This July 31 lightning ignited fire continues to burn to the north and east and is established in Line Creek, Little Boulder Creek, and Piquett Creek. Larry Svalberg's Incident Management Team continues to manage the fire with a total of 122 personnel. Two 20 person crews, 2 dozers, and one helicopter that had been working on the Rombo Mountain Fire went immediately last night to assist with the Tin Cup Fire that broke out above Darby, Mont.

One crew was assigned to the fire today and finished building line on the west side of the fire. Two crews are scheduled to be on line tomorrow. Burning conditions are extreme, the terrain steep and rugged terrain. The safety of firefighters and the public continues to be the number one priority.

The stage 1 precautionary evacuation notice for fire protection zone 13 issued by the Ravalli County Sheriff remains in effect, from the Rombo Campground north to Forest Service Road Number 5715. This is a precautionary step to allow residents to plan and prepare for an evacuation should the need to evacuate arise.

Local firefighters from the Painted Rocks and West Fork Volunteer Fire Departments continue to assess homes to help owners prepare their properties in the event the fire should approach.

A closure order prohibiting public access on national forest roads or lands in the area of the fire has been in place since July 31. Maps and full descriptions of the closed area are available at

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Forest offices, and on line at [www.fs.fed.us/r1/bitterroot](http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/bitterroot). Personnel are posted at the closure points to enforce the closures.

For additional information call Rombo Mountain Fire information at 821-0082 or visit the website, [www.inciweb.org](http://www.inciweb.org). For information about the Tin Cup Fire near Darby call 821-4247. Additional information about fires on the Bitterroot National forest can be found at <http://63.196.254.151/WildWeb/WCMT-BRC.htm> or [www.inciweb.org](http://www.inciweb.org).

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